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Summary of traces on Dr. Werner NAUMANN

REFERENCE: NSIA 6426

1. Provided Dr. Werner NAUMANN was connected with the Reich Propaganda Ministry in Berlin from 1939 until 1945, traces on his wartime career reveal no unusual information. The only postwar reference to NAUMANN is contained in NSR-534 of 6 December 1953. This document states that Dr. Friedrich Karl KRENNHANS of the Bundeswehr maintains contact with NAUMANN, a former member of GOETTER Ministry. This report is consistent at variance with information contained in paragraph 7 of reference, however NSR-534 did not elaborate on the nature of this reported contact. We have asked Army and State for traces on Subject, and will inform you of any results.

2. We have several references to the Brigadefuehrer and Generalmajor Adolf Pollock mentioned in the German Primer. The "Who's Who in Germany and Austria" dated 1945 lists this person as Dr. Werner NAUMANN, and gives employment history during the war. The same volume also give information on Dr. Werner NAUMANN of the Propaganda Ministry. NSIA 6426 and 6427 contain detailed data on the NAUMANN mentioned in the Primer, this time referring to him as Dr. Erich NAUMANN. Undoubtedly the two NAUMANN are different persons. Perhaps Subject could give us the true first name of the Primer NAUMANN, since both apparently maintained high ranking positions during the war.

3. NSIA 14994 dated 15 February 1953 gives information on a Dr. Werner Johannes Siegfried NAUMANN, an East Prussian refugee residing in Regensburg who offered to supply sensitive reports from the East Zone. Apparently NAUMANN's offer was not accepted. Is there any chance that NAUMANN could be identical with Subject?

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4. In addition to REF-204 mentioned above, we have the following traces on Dr. Werner NAUMANN:

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Werner NAUMANN - Ministerialdirektor in the Reich Ministry of Propaganda; formerly a Ministerialdirigent, but promoted by HITLER at the request of GOEBBELS; replaced Leopold GUTTHARD; Inspektor of the Rife and SB; district leader of the Nazi Party in 1939.

Who's Who in Germany and Austria dated March 1945

Dr. Werner NAUMANN - Stantseckretar, Reich Ministry of Propaganda; chief of staff of the Propaganda Department (Party Directorate); SS Brigadefuehrer; born in 1906 in Guben (Schlesien); 1933-1944 head of Ministerial office in the Reich Propaganda Ministry.

B-1949 dated 5 March 1945

State Secretaries NAUMANN and SUENDBERGER of the Propaganda Ministry censor all reports of Groups I, II, and IV from a political standpoint.

S-3531 dated 21 March 1945

Dr. NAUMANN - chief of the Ministerial Office of the Reich Propaganda Ministry in October 1944; regarded as GOEBBELS's yes-man; took over the Minister-bureau in 1938 when HAHN, his predecessor, became State Secretary; became State Secretary in 1944; applied strict bureaucratic discipline and also carries on much propaganda in person; good organizer, but intellectually uninspiring.

KE-34 dated 12 March 1945

SS Brigadefuehrer und Generalmajor der Polizei Dr. Werner NAUMANN was Stantseckretar in the Reich's Propaganda Ministry in 1944.

I-2127 dated 21 July 1945

Dr. Werner NAUMANN, former Secretary of State in the German Propaganda Ministry, arrived in Portugal by plane in April 1945, and reportedly stayed at a Lisbon hotel.

KE-230 dated 11 September 1945

There is no record of NAUMANN having been in Lisbon.

KE-5531 dated 13 June 1945

Werner NAUMANN - born about 1911; 1.65m tall; slim build; brown eyes; dark brown hair; limps with left leg; last seen in Propaganda Ministry on 23 April 1945; believed to be a Russian prisoner; former Secretary of State and SS Brigadefuehrer in the Propaganda Ministry.

KE-11475 dated 29 March 1945

Werner NAUMANN - Stantseckretar; last seen in Berlin on 29 April 1945; regular visitor in the Chancellery to see GOEBBELS, but did not live in the bunker.

KE-12627 dated 20 July 1946

Dietl PARELL & Wolfgang KEMMER (sources) was told on 1 May 1945 that Stantseckretar Dr. NAUMANN had been killed while attempting to storm a Russian SS post. In November 1945, PARELL visited Frau NAUMANN who was living at Alchheim and Frau NAUMANN told PARELL that she had had no news of her husband since the capitulation. Later, PARELL was informed by Stabaf. BOELKE that Stabaf.

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SCHWARTZMAN had been with NAUMANN and BOERMAN in Berlin after 1 May 1945.

IX 14983 dated 2 June 1945

According to KALLESCHWIGER, Brigadefuehrer NAUMANN was seen in early May 1945 at Radstadt, en route to the Eastern Front.

5. In addition to traces obviously referring to the Brigadefuehrer NAUMANN listed in the Primer, the following references to NAUMANN (fna) were also compiled. They are being forwarded in the event that some might refer to Subject.

SHARP Card 64115

NAUMANN - SS Brigadefuehrer in 1943; Major General of Police and Inspector of Sips and ED at the office of the Higher SS Leader and Chief of Police, Berlin, at the Provincial Presidency in Brandenburg in 1943.

IX-2423 dated 26 July 1945

NAUMANN - Mil. Ant member; active officer; born in 1890; in 1944, head of Abt. Front Aufklaerung of Chef Is Wehrmacht in the Wehrmacht's Fachrange Stab; in November 1944, became Commanding Officer of Gren. Regt. 1001; 1.83m tall; strong build; gray hair; broad face; pale complexion; large nose.

ID Summary 21 Special Annex dated 15 July 1947

SS Brigadier NAUMANN organized a large circle of SS contacts so that he would have loyal supporters were future political developments to require them. He advocated a strong, westernly oriented Europe. NAUMANN was reportedly a Nazi Fachrange-Officer in Army Group Sued and was a Captain on KESSELRIE's staff in Italy. After the war, NAUMANN, Lt. Kom. BARNHAUSEN and SS Colonel BAREI were active in aiding former SS personnel who were to be arrested, by supplying them with false papers and ration cards.

SHARP Card 100340

Major NAUMANN - holder of the Knight's Cross with Oak Leaf; took part in the Gross Tocco raid which liberated MUESSOLINI; in charge of Dept. II (Abwehr Sabotage) in early 1945; with a Pioneer unit, trying to earn the Schmarter to the Knight's Cross in March 1945.

SHARP Card 118212

NAUMANN - SS Stabaf. RSHA employee in 1944; deputy to HORNERT, the head of Mil. Ant B, probably in Berlin.

IX 7869 dated 31 May 1945

Major NAUMANN I.G. - member of Frende Heere Ost; born about 1913; 1.62m tall; slender build; brown hair; oval face; dark eyes; high voice; speaks the Braunschweig dialect; last seen at Headquarters, Frende Heere Ost at Leppelin near Koenigsberg; former Deputy head of Mil. D.

IX-4815 dated 8 December 1944

Otto SHORNERT is chief of Amt VI 3 of the RSHA and Major NAUMANN is his assistant.

IX-7087 dated 18 May 1946

Major NAUMANN was a member of Abt. II, Abwehr Berlin in 1946.

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IX-7272 dated 10 May 1945

General **NAUMANN** was a member of Sonder Kommando von **RECHENBERG**.
General **NAUMANN** was also listed as a member of Astleit Paris.

Order of Battle of the German Army

General **NAUMANN** - born about 1890; date of rank, 1
April 1942; inspector of armaments, Wehrkreis VII (1) in 1943.

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